

HEADQUARTERS

United Spanish War Veterans

839 Main St.,

HARTFORD, CONN.

January 6, 1909.

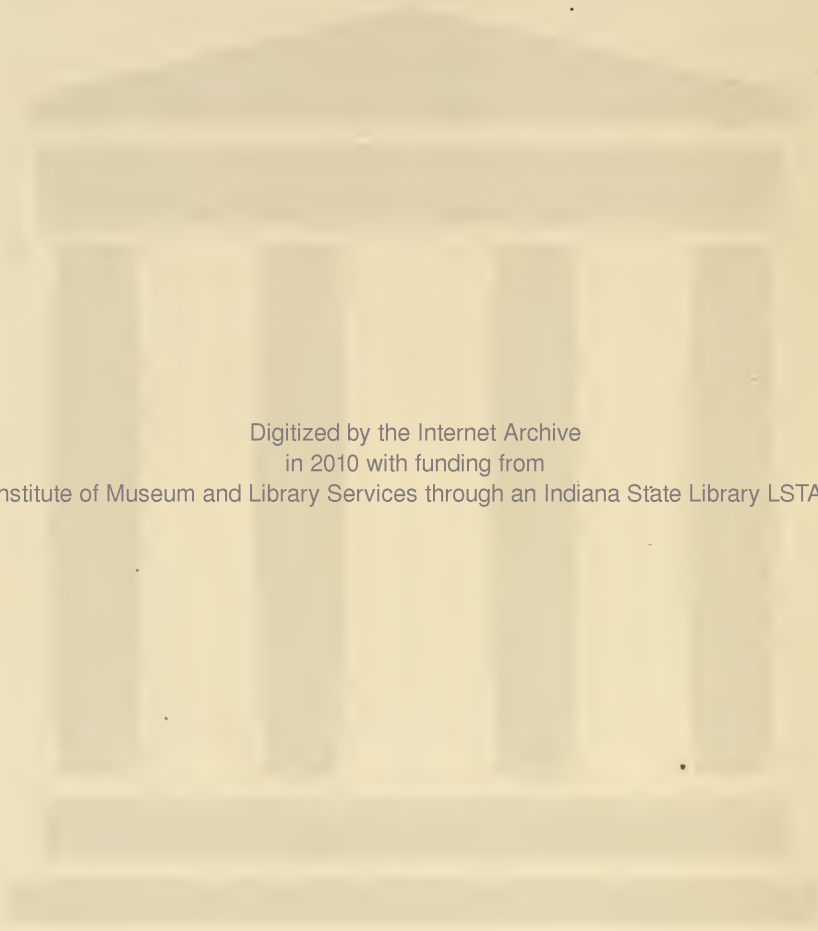
CIRCULAR NO. 1.
1909.

At the Fifth National Encampment, United Spanish War Veterans, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted by rising vote:

“RESOLVED: That on the 12th of February, 1909, all Camps of United Spanish War Veterans shall hold or participate in appropriate services in commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.”

In furtherance of this Resolution it is earnestly recommended that every Camp in the Organization shall recognize the Centennial Anniversary of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln in some appropriate manner, either by special meeting or in attendance as a body where a public service is held, and that, in cities where there is more than one Camp, or in localities where two or more Camps are close together, there shall be, if practicable, a united service.

Contemplation of the life of Abraham Lincoln, of his simplicity and nobility of character, of his love for all men, so often proven by deeds of charity and mercy, and of his profound love of country, is a never-failing source of inspiration to higher and better things in public and in private life. His constant prayer and hope that our people should be united in all that pertains to the welfare of the Nation reached its highest fulfilment when in 1898 men from all sections of the country volunteered their services as soldiers and sailors in defence of our glorious flag.



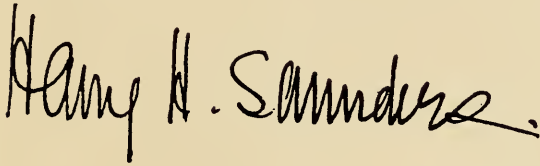
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It is eminently fitting that the Organization of United Spanish War Veterans, which commemorates the war in which many of those who wore the Blue and the Gray in 1861 fought side by side in defence of our country, and in whose Brotherhood are now gathered men from every part of the Union, and including our comrades in the Philippines, shall pay tribute to the memory of this great man of the people, and give thanks to the Supreme Commander for the spirit of unity in all essentials which dominates the Nation and upon which sure dependence can be placed to preserve and protect our country.

By order of

CHARLES W. NEWTON,
Commander-in-Chief.

Official:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Harry H. Sanders". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "H" and a long, sweeping underline.

Adjutant General.

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